

Amendment to the Drawings

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Fig. 8. This sheet, which includes Figs. 8 and 9, replaces the original sheet including Figs. 8 and 9. In Fig. 8, previously included reference characters 51A, 51B and 51C have been deleted.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet including Figs. 8 and 9

REMARKS

Applicants have studied the Office Action dated January 10, 2006. In response, applicants respectfully submit a new declaration and amend portions of the specification and drawings. Consideration of the submission and amendments is respectfully requested.

Oath/Declaration

In the Office Action, the examiner deemed the filed oath or declaration defective because it did not identify the citizenship of each inventor. In response, a new declaration properly identifying the citizenship of each inventor is submitted herewith.

Amendment to Drawings and Specification

The examiner objected to the drawings because they include the following reference character(s) not mentioned in the description: Figs. 7A.38, 8.51, 8.52, 8.51A, 8.51B, 8.51C, 12.83, 12.84 and 13.85.

With respect to the reference characters 7A.38, 8.51 and 8.52, the specification has been amended to properly identify these reference characters in the description. Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter has been added by such amendments.

With respect to reference characters 8.51A, 8.51B and 8.51C, these reference characters have been deleted from Fig. 8. A Replacement Sheet reflecting this amendment is submitted herewith.

With respect to reference characters 12.83, 12.84 and 13.85, applicants respectfully submit that these reference characters have previously been mentioned in the specification. Specifically reference character 12.83 is mentioned on page 34 lines 4, 5, 9, 13 and 18, reference character 12.83 is mentioned on page 34, line 15 and reference character 13.85 is mentioned on page 34, line 24. Accordingly, applicants have not amended the drawings or the specification with respect to these reference characters because they are already mentioned in the specification.

CONCLUSION

In light of the above remarks, applicants submit that the present amendment places the present application in condition for issue.

No amendment made was related to the statutory requirements of patentability unless expressly stated herein; and no amendment made was for the purpose of narrowing the scope of any claim, unless applicants have argued herein that such amendment was made to distinguish over a particular reference or combination of references.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California, telephone number (213) 623-2221 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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